Decision

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of California-American Water Company (U210W) for Authorization to Increase its Revenues for Water Service by \$4,134,600 or 2.55% in the year 2011, by \$33,105,800 or 19.68% in the 2012, by \$9,897,200 or 4.92 % in 2013, and by \$10,874,600 or 5.16% in the year 2014.

Application 10-07-007 (Filed July 1, 2010)

And Related Matter.

Application 11-09-016

ORDER EXTENDING STATUTORY DEADLINE

Summary

This decision extends the statutory deadline in this proceeding to October 11, 2013.

Background

Pub. Util. Code § 1701.5(a)¹ provides that ratesetting cases must be resolved within 18 months of the date the scoping memo is issued unless the Commission makes findings why that deadline cannot be met and issues an order extending the 18-month deadline for a period not exceeding 60 days. In

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¹ All statutory references are to the Public Utilities Code unless otherwise indicated.

this proceeding, the 18-month deadline for resolving this matter was extended by Decision 13-05-026 from June 12, 2013 to August 11, 2013.²

The final issues in this proceeding are complex and additional time is needed to review and resolve them. The current extension expires on August 11, 2013. However, the only Commission meeting in August is August 15th. Therefore, an additional 60-day extension of the statutory deadline until October 10, 2013, is necessary.

Waiver of Comment Period

Under Rule 14.6(c)(4) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission may reduce or waive the period for public review and comment of proposed decision extending the deadline for resolving ratesetting proceedings. Accordingly, the otherwise applicable period for public review and comment on an extension order issued pursuant to § 1701.5(a) is being waived.

Assignment of Proceeding

Michel P. Florio is the assigned Commissioner and Linda A. Rochester and Douglas M. Long are the assigned Administrative Law Judges in this proceeding.

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Findings of Fact

- 1. The scoping memo in this proceeding was issued on December 12, 2011.
- 2. The 18-month statutory deadline for resolving this ratesetting proceeding is June 12, 2013.
- 3. Commission Decision 13-05-026 extended the statutory deadline for resolution of this proceeding to August 11, 2013.

² A revised scoping memo in this proceeding was issued on December 11, 2011.

PROPOSED DECISION

- 4. The remaining issues in this proceeding are complex and require additional time to resolve.
 - 5. The only Commission meeting in the month of August is August 15th.
 - 6. An additional 60-day extension of the statutory deadline is necessary.

Conclusion of Law

Effective immediately, the 18-month statutory deadline imposed by § 1701.5(a) should be extended for a period of 60 days beyond August 11, 2013.

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. The 18-month statutory deadline in this proceeding, is extended until October 10, 2013.
 - Application 10-07-007, and related matters, remains open.
 This order is effective today.
 Dated ________, at San Francisco, California.